

# Fulbright Visiting Scholar Program

# Application for Advanced Research and University Teaching Awards in the United States

2016

## Post-Doctoral Research/Lecturing Opportunity in the U.S.:

The flagship international educational exchange program sponsored by the U.S. government, widely known as the Fulbright Program, is designed to increase mutual understanding between the people of the United States and those of other countries. With this goal as a starting point, the Fulbright Program has provided more than 300,000 participants—chosen for their leadership potential—with the opportunity to observe each other's political, economic and cultural institutions, exchange ideas and embark on joint ventures of importance to the general welfare of the world's inhabitants.

The Fulbright Program was established in 1946 under legislation introduced by former Senator J. William Fulbright of Arkansas. The Fulbright Program is administered by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State.

Since the establishment of the Program, 46,800 Fulbright Visiting Scholars have conducted research or taught in U.S. universities, and more than 45,200 Fulbright U.S. Scholars have engaged in similar activities abroad. The Fulbright Program awards approximately 800 grants to Visiting Scholars each year. Currently, the Program operates in approximately 155 countries worldwide.

The primary source of funding for the Fulbright Program is an annual appropriation made by the United States Congress to the Department of State.

Participating governments and host institutions in foreign countries and in the United States also contribute financially through cost-sharing and indirect support, such as salary supplements, tuition waivers and university housing.

The J. William Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board (FSB), composed of 12 educational and public leaders appointed by the President of the United States, formulates policy for the administration of the Program, establishes criteria for the selection of candidates and approves candidates nominated for awards.

The United States Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, develops policies to assure fulfillment of the purposes of the Program and administers it with the assistance of Binational educational commissions and foundations in some 50 countries that have executive agreements with the United States for continuing exchange programs, United States embassies in 90 other countries and a number of cooperating agencies in the United States.

Binational commissions and foundations propose the annual program plan for exchanges, in consultation with participating universities and organizations in the host country. They also screen, interview, and recommend to the FSB qualified candidates for student and faculty grants under their exchange programs. In a country without a commission or foundation, the Public Affairs Section of the U.S. Embassy develops the program and supervises it locally.

The Fulbright Visiting Senior Scholar Award provides an opportunity for Algerian women and men residing in Algeria, who hold a doctorate degree or equivalent professional qualifications, to spend three to six months doing research and/or teaching at a university in the United States. The application requires that the scholar develop a theoretically sound, well written, and feasible proposal. Proposals that demonstrate a commitment to cross-cultural understanding and exchange will be given preference.

#### Required:

- Doctoral degree or equivalent professional training or experience;
- Proficiency in English appropriate to proposed lecturing or research project to be carried out in the United States;
- A detailed statement of proposed activity for research or lecturing at a U.S. institution; and
- Certification of good health.

Applicants should have excellent English. Persons holding permanent residence in the United States or U.S. citizenship are not eligible to apply.

For a complete application, you must submit the following:

- Online application form;
- Detailed project statement;
- Detailed curriculum vitae;
- Three Reference Letters
- Letter of invitation from U.S. University or Institution, if possible.

Note: Grants are <u>not</u> for the principal purpose of:

- Attending conferences,
- Completing doctoral dissertations,
- Travel and consultation at multiple institutions or
- Clinical medical research involving patient contact.\*

Deadline for applications: December 3, 2015.

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